

# CHRISTIAN CARE CENTER

## Pregnancy & Family Care Center

**Mission Statement:** Meeting needs and sharing Christ with those who are struggling with decisions about pregnancy, parenting and sexual purity

### Purpose

The Pregnancy & Family Care Center supports women and families who are experiencing challenging circumstances related to pregnancy and parenting. The program offers physical, emotional and spiritual support by providing for immediate needs while equipping clients with knowledge and skills necessary to be a successful parent.

### Program Details

The Pregnancy & Family Care Center provides pregnancy testing and counsels women based on the outcome. Those who find themselves in an unplanned pregnancy and are considering abortion are referred to local pro-life physicians who provide ultrasounds, usually within 48 hours, to help mothers see the miracle of the life entrusted to their care and to carefully consider the consequences of their decision. Those who choose life are supported

as they live out their decision, including adoption planning or childbirth and parenting education. Those who are suffering because they did not choose life are offered post-abortion counseling. We also provide a referral list of agencies to birth moms interested in adoption, and then we walk alongside them through the adoption process.

The Center's *Earn While You Learn* program provides for the physical needs of clients including maternity clothes and baby care items such as clothing, diapers, bottles, formula, baby furniture and car seats. Parents earn points to exchange for these necessities by completing parenting and Bible study lessons which equip them with life skills that will enable them to be confident and capable parents.

The Center also offers childbirth and parenting education. The parenting classes are accepted by the Department of Children and Families and are acceptable for court-ordered education.



### Facilities

The Pregnancy & Family Care Center facility provides a comfortable, homey atmosphere for its clients. Small rooms for counseling and watching educational videos offer privacy. Clothing, diapers and other baby needs are stored in a large room for families to browse. There is office space, a kitchen and a space for processing pregnancy tests and storing literature as well as a play space for small children and plenty of seating space for conversation and relaxation. The Pregnancy & Family Care Center is open from Monday - Friday from 9:00am to 5:00pm, although you can reach our after hours help line at 352-787-8839.

## History

The Pregnancy & Family Care Center was founded in 1987 to aide women in crisis pregnancies by offering alternatives to abortion including medical referrals with ultrasound, adoption counseling and placement for housing during pregnancy. Through the years, additional programs have been added to provide support to families with children. On average each month, the center serves 100 clients and provides 30 pregnancy tests. During any given year, 19 -30 abortion-minded women choose life for their babies as a direct result of these efforts.

## Partnering Opportunities

Volunteer partnership opportunities include:

- Mentor young men or women
- Offer help as a mentor or counselor
- Volunteer as a receptionist
- Input data
- Help organize the baby food and clothing room.
- Partner financially to facilitate an adoption, educate pregnant moms about their choice, supply *Earn While You Learn* items or provide emergency care for families.



## Staff

The Pregnancy & Family Care staff consists of:

- The Director oversees all operations of the Pregnancy and Family Care Center, its programs, facilities, staff and residents.
- The Assistant Director coordinates and schedules volunteer efforts and assists in day-to-day operations.

The staff is supported by a dedicated team of volunteers from a variety of churches who serve four hour shifts as client counselors, educators, receptionists and many other positions.

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**Wanda Kohn**

**Pregnancy & Family Care Center Director**

Wanda began her involvement with PFCC in 1988 as a volunteer counselor and has served as Director since 2002. During her tenure, the PFCC has greatly expanded its service offerings. Wanda is the Co-Founder of Habitat for Humanity of Lake County and received WORLD magazine's 2007 Daniel of the Year Award for her work in the pro-life cause. She and her husband, Bob, teach a family-focused Bible Fellowship class at First Baptist Leesburg and love serving the Lord together.